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1. ON JULY 6 GOVERNMENT PRESS OFFICE ISSUED FOLLOWING SENIOR
FOREIGN MINISTRY STAFF ANALYSIS OF EGYPTIAN PEACE PLAN.

2. BEGIN TEXT: THE EGYPTIAN DOCUMENT SUBMITTED TO ISRAEL
VIA THE US CONTAINS VERY EXTREME ELEMENTS, SUCH AS ISRAELI
WITHDRAWAL FROM JUDEA AND SAMARIA-INCLUDING JERUSALEM- REMOVAL
OF THE ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS IN THE AREAS, IMMEDIATE CANCELLATION
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OF THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN THE FIRST STAGE OF THE TRANSITION
PERIOD, TRANSFER OF CONTROL AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE GAZA STRIP
TO EGYPT AND JUDEA AND SAMARIA TO JORDAN, AND OPENING UP OF AN
OPTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PALESTINIAN STATE-WHEREAS
THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS NOTHING IN THE WAY OF PEACE TREATIES OR
SETTLEMENTS WITH ISRAEL IN RETURN FOR THE FAR-REACHING CONCESSIONS
BEING DEMANDED OF ISRAEL.

3. THIS IS THE CONCLUSION OF AN ANALYSIS OF THE EGYPTIAN DOCUMENT MADE TODAY (THURSDAY JULY 6 IN AN INTERNAL DISCUSSION HELD BY THE SENIOR STAFF OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

4. THE DOCUMENT SHOWS AN EVIDENT HARDENING AS COMPARED WITH WHAT WAS STATED IN PREVIOUS DOCUMENTS-AND EVEN IN THE ASWAN DECLARATION- CONCERNING THE NEED FOR PALESTINIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE DETERMINATION OF THEIR FUTURE. THE NEW DOCUMENT STATES ONLY THAT THE PALESTINIANS WILL "DETERMINE THEIR FUTURE" INSTEAD OF "TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DETERMINATION", IN LINE WITH THE ASWAN FORMULATION.

5. EVEN THOUGH THE DOCUMENT DOES NOT DEAL WITH PEACE OR THE NATURE OF PEACE, IT REFERS TO THE REFUGEE PROBLEM WITHOUT BASING ITSELF ON RESOLUTION 242-WHICH SPEAKS OF THE NEED TO SOLVE THAT PROBLEM- BUT REFERS, RATHER, TO VERY EXTREMUM U.N. RESOLUTIONS-WITH ANY PRO-ARAB RESOLUTION BEING ASSURED OF A MAJORITY IN THAT INSTITUTION.

6. THE SENIOR STAFF ANALYSIS ARRIVED AT THE FOLLOWING SUMMATION:

-1) THIS IS NOT A PROPOSAL FOR PEACE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE ARABS, BUT A DOCUMENT DEMANDING GENERAL ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL THE AREAS AND TRANSFER OF CONTROL IN THEM TO ARAB HANDS: THE GAZA STRIP TO THE EGYPTIANS, AND JUDEA AND SAMARIA TO JORDAN, WITH AN OPENING UP OF AN OPTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PALESTINIAN STATE.
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-2) THE DOCUMENT MENTIONS NEITHER POSSIBLE BORDER ADJUSTMENTS NOR THE DEMARCATION OF SECURE BOUNDARIES, BUT DEMANDS RE-PARTITION OF JERUSALEM AND ELIMINATION OF THE ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS IN THE AREAS.

-3) THE DOCUMENT CONSTITUTES A CONSIDERABLE RETREAT FROM PRESIDENT CARTER'S ASWAN FORMULATION, WHICH WAS ACCEPTED BY PRESIDENT SADAT, WITH THE EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT NOW DEMANDING "SELF-DETERMINATION OF THE PALESTINIANS" (INSTEAD OF PARTICIPATION IN THE DETERMINATION OF THEIR FUTURE, IN LINE WITH THE ASWAN FORMULATION).

-4) THIS DOCUMENT MAKES NO MENTION OF ANY QUID PRO QUO FOR THE FAR-REACHING CONCESSIONS ISRAEL IS BEING CALLED ON TO MAKE. END TEXT.
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